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In re Patent Application of:

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For: ANONYMOUS ELECTRONIC VOTING

SYSTEM AND ANONYMOUS ELECTRONIC

VOTING METHOD

Examiner: D. St. Cyr

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated September 18, 2009, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 11 of this paper and include an attached replacement sheet.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 12 of this paper.

FEE CALCULATION

Any additional fee required has been calculated as follows:

	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid	Number Extra Claims Present	-	Rate	Additional Fee
Total	22	- 22* =	0	X	\$52.00	0.00
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CONTINGENT EXTENSION REQUEST

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